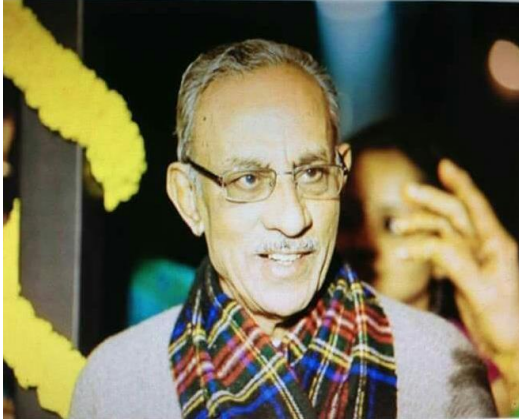


Obituary Notice



DR. GURURAJA RAO (BMC ALUMNUS - 1955 BATCH)

-----By Dr. K. Lakshman

Dr. Gururaja Rao, 'Guru', as he is fondly remembered by his friends, grew up in a privileged family, finished medicine as the best outgoing student. He played cricket for his college.

He then went on to spend many good years in UK, where he completed his post-graduation, played county cricket, drove a MG sports car and had a wonderful family life with wife Pramila and son Sanjay. Later, the Gurus were blessed with a

daughter, Nandini.

He returned to Bangalore to take over his father's practice. Along with the vision of his wife Pramila, Shanthi Nursing Home - a multi-speciality hospital was set up. It serves the community of South Bangalore and many doctors, have grown within this institution becoming specialists. This institution also encouraged and nurtured young specialists, yours truly, being one of the beneficiaries!

Within this charming and charismatic personality was also an introvert who had a close circle of friends. He could reach out to people irrespective of age, gender or status. He had a gift to make people feel comfortable.

Guru practised Yoga and learnt Carnatic classical music for many years. Again, influenced by his wife, he became more and more interested in Hinduism and became a patron of Rayar Mutha and Carnatic music.

He was a truly 'nice' person - Completely ethical in his approach to life, committed to his patients, colleagues, and family. He will be terribly missed.

I gratefully acknowledge inputs from Sanjay and Nandini.

BMC AA & BMC DT offer sincere condolences to the bereaved family.
